

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 18, 2015

The Honorable Council of the City of Evansville met on regular session at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2015 in the City Council Chambers, Room 301 Civic Center Complex, Evansville, Indiana, with President H. Dan Adams presiding. The following business was conducted.

These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript. Audio recordings of this meeting are available in the City Clerk's Office

President Adams: The Honorable Council of the City Of Evansville is hereby called to order. Madam Clerk, call the attenuated roll.

ROLL CALL:

Present: McGinn, Mosby, O'Daniel, Weaver, Adams

Absent: Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Friend, Lindsey

President Adams: There being five (5) members present, four (4) members absent, five members representing a...barely a quorum, I hereby declare this session of the Common Council officially opened.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman O'Daniel, would you give us the Pledge of Allegiance tonight?

Fellow Councilmen, and those in the audience, welcome to the May 18, 2015 meeting. It is our 10th of the year.

RECOGNITION OF SCHOOLS

Do we have any school, high school kids here tonight? Okay.

COUNCIL ATTORNEY

Our attorney is Scott Danks.

SERGEANT AT ARMS

Officer Kirby, once again, is here as our Sergeant at Arms.

President Adams: Could I have a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2015?

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilman McGinn: Second.

President Adams: I have a motion and a second. All those in favor? So ordered.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

IN YOUR MAY 15th PACKET:

- * Ordinances F-2015-7, R-2015-14, R-2015-15, R-2015-16, R-2015-17, and R-2015-18

EMAILED MATERIAL:

- * Committee Meeting Schedule and Agenda for May 18, 2015
- * City Council Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2015

ON YOUR DESK THIS EVENING:

- * Extended Agenda
- * Ordinance G-2015-17
- * Second Amended Use and Development Commitment for R-2015-7
- * Evansville Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes dated April 21, 2015

President Adams: May I have a motion to receive, file and make these reports and communications a part of the minutes?

Councilwoman Mosby: So moved.

Councilman Weaver: Second.

President Adams: I have a motion and a second. All those in favor? Opposed? So moved.

First Reading.

CONSENT AGENDA

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE F-2015-7

FINANCE

O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations, Additional Appropriations and Repeal and Re-Appropriation of Funds for Various City Funds

President Adams: Is there a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda?

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilman Weaver: Second.

President Adams: We have a motion and a second. All those in favor? So moved.

Now if we've tabled the thing do we have a Second Reading or we just ignore it?

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

President Adams: Okay.

Well okay, this is kind of unique, isn't it?

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The next meeting of the Common Council will be Monday, June 8, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Committee meetings, right now, will begin at probably earlier than 5:25 p.m.

City Clerk Windhorst: 5:15.

President Adams: 5:15.

City Council Attorney Danks: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

President Adams: I'm sorry? Just wait. Please, be patient, yeah. We do, however...if you'll go ahead and handle that for me.

Miscellaneous.

Councilwoman Mosby: Yes, I would like to call Russ Lloyd up to talk about F...is it 2015-5? Was that the...

City Controller Lloyd: *(Off Mic)* It was seven.

Councilwoman Mosby: Seven, I'm sorry. I was absent last Monday due to a death in my family so I was not able to attend but I've been receiving several...several complaints over what happened at the last meeting and had some conversations with Russ along with the board for Animal Control and I appreciate those of you that were able to make it this evening.

President Adams: Well let me just add to that. I haven't received complaints about last meeting because, indeed, you weren't here. We had something called Contractual Services and it never was delineated but most of the people here are for the Spirit Medical Fund...

Councilwoman Mosby: Yes.

President Adams:...which had some money in and allegedly at the meeting of Animal Control on Friday, I was told that it was only 200 and so we wanted...the question is the discrepancy that perhaps they thought there was 18,000 but now it's down to 200 and obviously we will hear...

Councilwoman Mosby: Yes.

President Adams:...a rather serpendicious way of...

Councilwoman Mosby: But I have received several complaints from people very concerned about what the process is and how we're going to handle that type of only having a couple hundred dollars in there due to the fact that we do have medical emergencies and things that do occur and happen at Animal Control and we need to have the funds to take care of those.

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

President Adams: On donated money.

City Controller Lloyd: Right. Russ Lloyd, City Controller and the ordinance that was defeated Monday, last Monday, there was, I believe it was, \$20,000 request from Local Income Tax to go to Fund 217, which was Animal Control Donations, and this was to correct back in 2008 when the fund was set up, there was money that was not transferred from that fund to the donation account and this was...the balance was healthy and it continued through the year. The budget amount did not match the cash balance so I went to the Animal Control Board on Friday and let them know that the...where they thought, I think there was about \$17,000 in there; there was \$200.

Now the money that's contributed to the Spirit Fund will be spent towards the needs of the Spirit Fund and if there was any kind of emergency, animal related, the City would...we would look at the other fund within Animal Control to find a way to make the payment there and then we'd have to restore those funds. So I mean we're not going to alleviate any emergencies in the case of Animal Welfare, I mean we would continue to do that.

But it was just something that...and maybe I didn't explain it very well at Monday's Council Meeting but tried to restore some of these donation funds where the budget amount was different from the cash amount.

President Adams: So how much is in this fund; the Spirit Medical Fund now?

City Controller Lloyd: Approximately \$200.00.

President Adams: No, behind it. What are...

City Controller Lloyd: Well I mean...

President Adams: Well how much really is there in the fund?

City Controller Lloyd: In the donation fund there's what, \$4,500 or something along those lines.

President Adams: \$4,500 in the donation fund?

City Controller Lloyd: Yeah.

Councilman O'Daniel: Russ, why is it LIT as opposed to its own separate account for, you know, sort of the Friends of Animal Control...

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

Councilman O'Daniel:...or whatever it may be?

City Controller Lloyd: And the history of this in...at one time the monies were just held in the General Fund so the General Fund kept track of the donation accounts but you couldn't...because the General Fund at the end of the year it reverts back, you couldn't keep monies past the end of the year so the State asked cities to set up donation accounts, which were non-reverting, so the City did that in 2008, set up this fund, #217, and there's actually some other departments that use it. That was like Human Relations Commission, EPA, Mesker Zoo, so some of those donations are also tracked in this fund. The City actually had, if those of you that were on Council when I think there was some kind of horse emergency, the City transferred from the General Fund to this fund \$39,000 to take care of that because that was a big expense but typically the fund, the Spirit Fund, raises, you know, between what, \$4,000 and \$12,000 a year and normally whatever's raised is spent on medical needs for animals.

I don't know if that answered your question or not. But anyway, we would make provisions to take care of any type of animal emergency using some of the other monies that's available to Animal Control and then we would have to restore the funds. And I don't know if Todd...if Todd wants to add anything to this or not.

President Adams: So if I'm correct, you have a bunch of donation funds that are all in one account.

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

President Adams: And how do you keep them from be...how do you keep them straight as to...?

City Controller Lloyd: They're kept in like a subsidiary ledger.

President Adams: Separate line items?

City Controller Lloyd: Yeah, separate line items.

President Adams: And that obviously fluctuates with it spent and being donated too.

City Controller Lloyd: Right. It looks like in the March Blue Book there was \$8,491 in that donation account.

Councilman O'Daniel: So...

City Controller Lloyd: So it fluctuates.

Councilman O'Daniel: So if...and these go back to, some of these donations, go back to 2008 you said?

City Controller Lloyd: I mean they've received monies in. The fund was set up in '08, this fund #217, and so they've received money in every year and it's spent towards animal medical needs.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay, and then I...you know, just obviously donated money should be earmarked for that particular department but has the City had to supplement, for instance, you indicated the horse emergency, whatever, does...when that happened did they tap into the Spirit Fund for Animal Control to help the horses or did that come from the General Fund or LIT in general to do that and should it...should it more appropriately come from the Spirit Fund?

City Controller Lloyd: Well the Spirit Fund, there wasn't enough money to handle the problem so the City just used money from the General Fund.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay, and now is that money that you're trying to put back into it then at this point or was that zeroed out at that point.

City Controller Lloyd: I mean it was all spent so the City just made that like a grant to the Spirit Fund and it was...

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay.

City Controller Lloyd:...not going to be repaid.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay.

Councilwoman Mosby: And I know we do have several board members here. Nancy, did you have any comments or did you want to say anything or...regarding this?

Nancy Evans: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*...question of clarity. Is there money...

President Adams: You're going to have to come up and speak at the thing so we can record your thoughts ma'am.

Your name and address please.

Councilwoman Mosby: Sorry, I didn't mean to put you on the spot but I know you're here to...

Nancy Evans: *(Inaudible)*

Councilwoman Mosby:...regarding the animals.

Nancy Evans: Nancy Evans, 1272 Sheffield Drive, Evansville, Indiana and I am the president of Animal Control Commission and our inquiry was further because when we were told on Friday that the balance...part of the question is we are currently in fund raising, continually, for the Spirit Medical Fund for the care of the animals and so we were hit originally and some of the questions came up afterwards saying, "Does that mean..." and, "By our understanding", was that what was being asked of the City Council last week and the last meeting was for monies to be moved back, that \$18,000 number that we had seen that was the balance prior to 2008 line item from our...for the animal...for the Spirit Medical Fund and that those that were in attendance, we didn't know, first of all, but also that maybe it wasn't clear because it was understood that the communication was that it was Animal Control Donation account, not necessarily Spirit Medical Fund, which we all know and triggers a different answer. So our understanding is that the Commission, or the Council, had denied that transfer of monies and that's what now has led us to be in such a negative amount so we wanted to...our inquiries were only what do we need to do to bring those funds back to and was it acceptable? Is it just because it was the LIT account or was there another option for us to try and rebound the account?

Yes, we had the conversation about was it the horses expense because that was...we know that was an over \$30,000 expense that was then turned to litigation at some other time and that restitution of course is not anywhere near the timeliness of the need for the animals so our question was further about whether or not the Council was knowledgeable over what happened in the meeting of the denial of restitution to the

account and whether or not the monies donated, truly donated, by individuals. All of us, I think, have donated to that fund at some point or another in addition to right now collecting funds and an emergency status because \$200.00 wouldn't pay an emergency vet bill one time.

President Adams: Has your question been satisfied tonight?

Nancy Evans: Well I...in answering and his in hearing that it went back to the state because it zeroed out, does that mean that there's not an option for us to get that re...

President Adams: I didn't think he said it went back to the state.

Nancy Evans: Well because of it was in General Fund at that time because...

President Adams: I think it's in a donation fund in the LIT, isn't it?

Nancy Evans: No, our understanding is from 2008, the balance, what we understood of the meeting and maybe we misunderstood what Mr. Lloyd said to us in the meeting...maybe that's it. Is it that the monies...our understanding was that the City Council decline of moving monies back into the donation account from the LIT was going to bring our balance back to what it was.

Speaking Simultaneously

President Adams: I don't think it's ever been out of the donation account.

Nancy Evans: From 2008 when the donation account was set up is when all money started going in there correctly but prior to that there was a balance in the General Fund, a line item in the General Fund and that's correct.

Councilman Weaver: So I'm confused too. Is there enough money in there to take care of animals if there was an emergency right now?

President Adams: Yeah.

Nancy Evans: I understand if we have emergency such as the horses or something came up but on an individual basis you have an animal that's hit by car, do we take it to get care, do we have to look at our book balance because otherwise it would need to be approved by those and we don't want to cause....the Spirit Medical Fund was hoping with the monies that's donated that we understand that it's there, available, as we get the donations to come in.

President Adams: Well that's my understanding too.

Nancy Evans: Yes.

President Adams: It's in a donation fund. Yeah.

Nancy Evans: So the question would be on the...

City Controller Lloyd: I mean...

President Adams: Is everybody copacetic?

Councilman O'Daniel: So okay, there's money prior to 2008 and then the donation fund is set up...2008 on.

City Controller Lloyd: It was actually set up before that but it was sitting in the General Fund and this...

Councilman O'Daniel: So the transfer that you asked from last week, is this pre-2008 money or is this post-2008 money?

City Controller Lloyd: It's post-2008 money.

Councilman O'Daniel: Post-2008 money. Okay.

City Controller Lloyd: And under the old accounting system some of the cash money did not get moved over when the City went on MUNIS and that's a good chunk of that, \$20,000

Councilman O'Daniel: But that's three years ago.

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

Councilman O'Daniel: Whatever it is.

City Controller Lloyd: Right, quite a while ago.

Councilman O'Daniel: That's not that...you were talking about pre-2008 money. We were...that's zeroed out basically, right?

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

Councilman O'Daniel: That's poof, gone.

City Controller Lloyd: The records that we have...

Councilman O'Daniel: There's no record of this.

City Controller Lloyd:...don't go back to beyond...before 2008.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay, so the money that is in there, we're talking about the horses as being an extraordinary expense, that was zeroed out whatever fund there was at that point but then you have new donations since then...

City Controller Lloyd: Right, every year.

Councilman O'Daniel: And that's the money that you're talking about now.

City Controller Lloyd: Yeah, the horse money was all spent at that time.

Councilman McGinn: Yeah but...

Nancy Evans: So is there money that is not moved over that should be moved over is my question...it's our question.

City Controller Lloyd: Okay, the \$20,000.

Councilman McGinn: But again, regardless of the horse problem in 2008, some of these are other departments that's donated money that have not...it has not been made available to them because of paperwork and reverting and State Board of Accounts so I mean the people who have donated money in good faith to any one of the departments that you've mentioned and the departments themselves deserve the use and benefit of that fund so what do we need to do to get all of the money that was donated back into these departments and whatever it is, let's just do it or who is going to donate to one of the City departments (*Inaudible*)...

Speaking Simultaneously

Councilwoman Mosby: Thank you Councilman McGinn.

Councilman McGinn:...if we don't earmark it and we don't take care of it.

Speaking Simultaneously

Nancy Evans: That's our concern about the eth...you know, just keeping the ethical and moral standard so that everybody's willing to give money to those causes and it doesn't come out of the City or the State money so...

City Controller Lloyd: Let me just state that all the money that's been donated since that time has been spent towards that goal, the Spirit Fund, and it's...you know

we've...some years they received, you know, \$4,000, \$6,000, \$8,000 and they spent at least that or more.

Councilwoman Mosby: But there is \$20,000 that should be in the account that is not.

City Controller Lloyd: That was...we requested it to come out of rather than General Fund, we made the request to come out of LIT.

Councilwoman Mosby: So what do we need to do to make this correct?

City Controller Lloyd: Well I think the Administration would bring it back if we knew a majority of the Council would be favorable to it. If it's not a majority of the Council there's no point in bringing it back.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay.

Councilman Weaver: We've got no choice. We need to take care of the animals.

Councilman O'Daniel: So the...

President Adams: We have a choice but I... *(Inaudible)*...we need to do.

Speaking Simultaneously

Councilman O'Daniel: Well, we take care of the animals anyway. Whether there's a fund or not we're still taking care of the animals. The...I guess the question is why are we choosing which account for it to come out of? Is it because everything's in the one account and so you're picking which fund it will come out of? Is that the idea?

City Controller Lloyd: Well we were using unappropriated money from the LIT account.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay but it...so when the donations came in and reverted they don't necessarily go into LIT or General Fund or...

City Controller Lloyd: No, that was all at the General Fund back then.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay.

Councilwoman Mosby: So my question is what do we need to do to remedy this because...

President Adams: We just told you.

Councilman O'Daniel: If it needs to be probably re-appropriated in the budget...

President Adams: If it's worth his time to bring it back.

Councilman O'Daniel: It probably needs to be in the budget though as well.

President Adams: Is there anybody here tonight that would be un-in-favor of him bringing it back to correct it?

Councilman Weaver: No.

Councilman McGinn: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

Councilwoman Mosby: I'm in favor and apologize for not being at the last meeting.

Councilman Weaver: I might say...

Councilman McGinn: No, I'm in favor.

Councilman O'Daniel: I might suggest bringing it as a separate Finance Ordinance.

President Adams: And once again that bug-a-boo of Contractual Services...ah yes.

Councilman O'Daniel: And then...

President Adams: If you're all attuned to that.

Councilman O'Daniel: Is there a...

Councilwoman Mosby: Yes.

Councilman O'Daniel: Is there a mechanism by which those funds are tapped into? I mean...so for instance, if you have a situation where, you know, you have a dog who's been hit or something and it needs medical attention and there's no other funds, how is it that that dog receives treatment and then is then paid out of that fund? And I mean we're talking about that but I mean there's other, you know, whether it be the zoo, or you know.

T&S Executive Director Robertson: Todd Robertson, Transportation and Services. Animal Control is one of the departments.

You asked a question that if it's hit, a dog is hit, basically when the dog is hit of an evening then we would take it to an emergency care and then those monies that...for the charges are actually spent against the Spirit Medical Fund line and so that's how we use those funds to care for that animal.

Councilman O'Daniel: And is that done first then or is there a budget item within Animal Control that talks about veterinary or medical care?

T&S Executive Director Robertson: No, primarily Spirit Medical Fund takes care of the emergency situations only in that situation that you describe.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay.

T&S Executive Director Robertson: We do not have a budget line item set up for *(Inaudible)*.

Councilman O'Daniel: So if a dog comes into the Animal Control and is need of some care, that's a separate line item as opposed to sort of emergent care.

T&S Executive Director Robertson: That's correct.

City Controller Lloyd: Okay.

Councilwoman Mosby: I just want to add, Animal Control does a great job. They've got a staff there that is wonderful and really do care about the animals in the community.

Nancy Evans: Another...and this...Nancy Evans. Another part of that is once if the animal owner is found that animal owner is expected to pay the bill versus Spirit Medical Fund so those funds are...

Councilman O'Daniel: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)* reimburse *(Inaudible)*.

Nancy Evans: Exactly the reimbursement too, as in the conversation on the horse.

President Adams: *(Off Mic)* Daniel Brown, would you like to make a comment?

Daniel Brown: *(Off Mic)* I think so. I don't know if I *(Inaudible)* more clear on what happened based on this discussion.

(On Mic) Daniel Brown. I live at 119 S. Parker Drive in Evansville and I was talk...I wanted to come and talk about the Spirit Medical Fund and I wondered...it sounds like maybe

something got fixed but I...my wife and I donate to the fund; we've donated since its inception and I wonder if anyone could like track a dollar that I donate. I show up and we go to a fund raiser and I donate a dollar. What path has that taken?

City Controller Lloyd: That's what I mentioned that all the money donated goes into a certain line item in the donations account for Animal Control and then we would track where it's spent; we can do that. So whatever you donate would be spent on animal care...

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic)* Emergency care.

City Controller Lloyd: Right, emergency animal care.

Councilwoman Mosby: Because that goes directly into the separate account, the Spirit Medical account so the checks are written out to that and it's...it's put into that...

City Controller Lloyd: Comes out of the donation account.

Councilwoman Mosby:...separate account.

City Controller Lloyd: It's the same acc...I mean it's...

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

City Controller Lloyd: I'm calling it the donations. It's...

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

City Controller Lloyd: That's what we designated *(Inaudible)* fund. It's the *(Inaudible)*
Speaking Simultaneously

Councilman O'Daniel: Yeah, there's the Spirit. There's a fund but it's the checking account, it's the City's checking account...

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

Councilman O'Daniel:...so it's kind of...call it...I call it co-mingled but that's maybe the wrong word. It's all pooled in with the many other funds that are in that one account.

City Controller Lloyd: It's the donation account, the Animal Control line.

Councilman O'Daniel: And then it's just debited out of the fund but it comes out of City account when it's paid.

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

Councilman O'Daniel: It's probably...it could be done but it's probably not as easy...

Unidentified Speaker II: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

President Adams: To answer your question, I think the dollar goes into this donation account and it's kept aware that it needs to go to a special use and it is used for that special use.

Daniel Brown: Okay, so people donate money to the Fire Department, Police Department, Spirit Fund; it all goes into a donation account and then they draw...they keep track of the dollars that go in for the fire, police, or whoever, and that's what's considered the balance of the fund? Is that...

President Adams: Your dollar goes into an account.

Daniel Brown: Right.

President Adams: And that dollar comes out of that account and goes to the Spirit Fund so they're keeping track of all the donations in a donation fund.

Daniel Brown: Okay, so there were...

President Adams: There aren't four or five separate donations fund...accounts...

Daniel Brown: Right, right.

President Adams:...but your dollar does go where it's supposed to go.

Daniel Brown: So there...there were \$18,000ish. There's \$200.00 now.

President Adams: Well that's in the active account. There's more, I guess, in the donation account.

Councilman O'Daniel: *(Off Mic)* I think what it is is it reverts back, prior year it reverts back into donation account that's not specified. Is that right, Russ? The \$200.00 that you...*(On Mic)*...the \$200.00 that you spoke of last Friday, you said that's the active amount in there today. Now that's...is that just the 2015 balance then and then

every...so whatever has come in in 2015 has been debited against and there's only 200...\$200.00 left in it but things from 2008 to 2014 is the amounts that you're looking to transfer. Does that make sense?

Daniel Brown: And it sounds like...it sounds like that difference between what Animal Control thought they had and what they actually have, there's a mechanism for the Council to make sure that money is available for emergency care. Is that...

Councilman O'Daniel: It needs to be re-appropriated I think every year or put into, essentially, a non-reverting fund so it doesn't go back in LIT or General Fund and it may a creation of some new fund accounts but somehow, somehow it can be accounted for.

Nancy Evans: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)* rectified so it is *(Inaudible)* now if this is what was prior to *(Inaudible)*.

Councilwoman Mosby: We just need to get that \$20,000 back in there.

Nancy Evans: *(Off Mic)* The donation account is what is protected against the reverting process but the money, now, with the monies donated with a paycheck on Friday went into that account.

Daniel Brown: Okay, so do we feel like that there's a mechanism in place to make sure that donated monies are actually in the account and there's not kind of a confusing paper trail for someone who's not...

Councilman O'Daniel: *(Off Mic)* It's not there yet because that's what we didn't understand last week.

Daniel Brown: But we...but we feel like it's going to be that the Council has decided that that's a good thing to do and...

Councilwoman Mosby: I will...I will make sure of it.

Daniel Brown: Okay.

President Adams: It's a good thing.

Councilwoman Mosby: It's very near and dear to my heart.

Daniel Brown: Okay because taking care of the critters is good, right?

Councilwoman Mosby: Very good.

Daniel Brown: That's why we donate the money, right?

Councilwoman Mosby: Yes.

Daniel Brown: Okay.

Councilwoman Mosby: Absolutely.

Daniel Brown: Okay. Okay, I'm...I don't know that I'm that much less confused but I'm...thank you for bringing it up Councilwoman. I appreciate that.

Councilwoman Mosby: My pleasure.

Daniel Brown: Dan, I appreciate it. Thank you for your action on it. Thank you.

Councilwoman Mosby: And I'll follow up on that.

Daniel Brown: Okay, thank you very much. I appreciate it.

President Adams: Would anyone else like to comment on this...yes sir, please.

Kenny Milligan: The name is Kenny Milligan; I live at 3909 Western Avenue. I guess what I'm confused about, you say you've got this General Fund for donations; why is there a separate Spirit Fund and that fund? I still don't...I still don't follow it. Why do you have the two funds and you're drawing from one for...I don't understand why you have the Spirit Fund and take a...I still don't follow you I guess.

President Adams: I think there are four or five different sources of donations...

Kenny Milligan: Right, but why *(Inaudible)* Spirit Fund?

President Adams:...that all goes into a fund.

Kenny Milligan: Right, but do you have the Spirit Fund and you say...

President Adams: In that fund?

Kenny Milligan:...from there, why...I just...I don't follow.

President Adams: Well I think the City is holding that in the donation fund and when it needs to transfuse the Animal Control Emergency fund, it does that.

Kenny Milligan: Why would they even need to take it out of there?

President Adams: I can't hear you sir.

Kenny Milligan: I said why would they even need to take it out of there?

Councilman O'Daniel: Well, it's whether they put it in there in the first place and so there's a lot of funds...

Kenny Milligan: Yeah, I understand that.

Councilman O'Daniel:...and they aren't separate accounts and so what ends up happening I, I get...I think what I'm hearing is now with it being a non-reverting fund so at the end of the year it doesn't just go back into the General Fund or the normal account. By creating a donation account, donation fund...fund and account's separate words, right? So by creating a donation fund it makes it non-reverting so it will stay there until it's used so you may have, you know, let's just say it's \$20,000 in the Animal Control fund and then you get \$5,000 of donations next year; not it's \$25,000. But you use \$6,000 for emergency care; now it's down to \$19,000, but it stays in that fund for the following year and '16, and '17, and '18 and so on and so forth.

Kenny Milligan: I would just like to know that the money I donate to the Spirit Fund stays in the Spirit Fund.

Councilman O'Daniel: And I think that's what we're all here trying to do.

President Adams: Okay, any other comments please from...please.

Debbie Magenheimer: My name Debbie Magenheimer. I own O'Hairs Happy Dog Daycare at 4508 Covert Avenue. I think several of you know animals are near and dear to my heart; they are my passion and this is particularly close to me. Every other year I host a fundraiser for Spirit Medical Fund. We've raised minimum a thousand dollars; beyond three thousand, so when I heard this I could not even finish reading the email I was so beside myself. I understand, I think, what everything has been said and I'm happy with it, what has come out. What I would like to say is before I host another fundraiser for Spirit Medical Fund, I mean I tell...a lot of people do trust me to put their money there. Would there be any way that there could be a check and balance that is even published to the public? We took in \$8,000 for Spirit Medical Fund in 2015 and we spent it on one dog that got hit, three cats that had...you know...could we see, literally, where the Spirit Medical Fund is spent because now that this has come out I'm going, "Well I feel like I'm a dope. I trusted too much", and, you know, is it possible to have that, I don't know, published once a year even; once every six months?

And like this gentleman before me...

President Adams: I would think that would have to come out of Animal Control, the people who are spending it.

Nancy Evans: *(Off Mic)* It is monitored and tracked. Kerry Kamp keeps tracks of that so you know that Todd's office takes good care of monitoring *(Inaudible)*.

Debbie Magenheimer: So can it be published to the public because these are donations that are meant only for animals that need 'em; not anything else.

President Adams: Well I think it would be in order for us to have an annual report coming to the City Council, which would be in the minutes in which we would have that, if that's okay with you.

T&S Executive Director Robertson: *(Off Mic)* May I speak?

President Adams: Would you mind doing that?

T&S Executive Director Robertson: If you come to the Animal Control Commission, we provide the Commissioners with that report and that is a public meeting so if you'd like to know where we're at, you're more than welcome to come and we provide that information at the meeting.

Debbie Magenheimer: *(Off Mic)* Thank you.

Councilwoman Mosby: Todd, would it be possible though to get an annual report that will be...

T&S Executive Director Robertson: Sure, we'd be glad to...

Councilwoman Mosby: Perfect, because a lot of people can't make that noon meeting because they're working so...

T&S Executive Director Robertson: That's the...

Councilwoman Mosby:...if we could do that, that would be great, then that way it would be in the minutes and would actually, you know, be streamlined as well.

T&S Executive Director Robertson: Sure.

President Adams: I think everybody...I think everybody on City Council would like to know that.

Councilman O'Daniel: And the other thing is because it's a board and commission, with our new platform, it could be put on line and that would be a wonderful thing so you could...

Debbie Magenheimer: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)* be great.

Councilman O'Daniel:...you could access it from your home rather than having to come down here.

Debbie Magenheimer: That would be great because I have attended several of those meetings, not recently but in the past, and I know to get a copy of the...of the ordinance of the budget it costs \$50.00. You know, that's nonsense.

Councilman O'Daniel: That's a lot of paper. We see a lot of it.

Debbie Magenheimer: That's a lot of paper and this is our money, but thank you.

President Adams: Okay.

Councilman O'Daniel: Thanks.

President Adams: Thank you.

Any other comments tonight about this...about this particular subject? Is there anything else that people here would like to discuss? There is one more...anything else Council would like to discuss?

Okay, I would like for you to remember that Lawyer Danks and I are trying have you people remember that this Thursday is Red Nose Day and it is for kids in poverty. It's on NBC at 7:00 and we'd very much like for you to support the Red Nose Day this Thursday.

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

President Adams: Sure.

Okay, Committee Reports; Conor O'Daniel.

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 8, 2015

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Re: **Ordinance G-2015-13**

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Notify: Ted Ziemer

CHAIRMAN CONOR O'DANIEL

Amend the Sewer Tap-in and Connection Charges for the City of Evansville, Indiana

Re: **Resolution C-2015-9**

Date: 5:20 p.m.

Notify: Ted Ziemer

Approving and Ordinance of the Vanderburgh County Income Tax Council Establishing the Percentage Credit Allowed for Homesteads for 2016 and Casting the Votes of the Common Council on Said Ordinance

Re: **Ordinance F-2015-7**

Time: 5:25 p.m.

Notify: Russ Lloyd

Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations, Additional Appropriations and Repeal and Re-Appropriation of Funds for Various City Funds

A.S.D. COMMITTEE

CHAIRWOMAN STEPHANIE BRINKERHOFF-RILEY

No meetings scheduled at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AL LINDSEY

No meetings scheduled at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

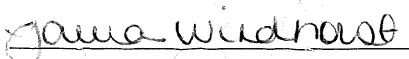
President Adams: We have no meetings scheduled to the A.S.D. Committee or Public Works and thus, unless there is anything else anyone would like to say, I will entertain a motion for adjournment.

Councilwoman Mosby: So moved.

Councilman O'Daniel: Second.

President Adams: Thank you for coming.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.


Laura Windhorst, City Clerk


H. Dan Adams, President